

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

October 3, PARKA At Betty Rhodes KL7AP 4290 Reka Drive....listen 34-94 for directions
October 6, General Meeting AARC 7 PM Room 123 Consortium Library University of Alaska Campus
October 5, Novice Class starts Tourism Room Career Center 7 PM
October 19 Board Meeting 7 PM Frank Drakes QTH KL7IPV
October 28 PARKA Progressive Pot Luck Party

October sometime Joint social with the Matanuska Amateur Radio Association....will be on 344-2835 when decided or listen 34-94 18 October LaCasa Rest. Eagle River 7:30

NETS

ARES NETWEEKLY Thursday evenings 8 PM 146.52
SNIPER NET.....Daily 6 PM 3920
SOURDOUGH NET...Mon-Fri 6:30 PM 3915
Grubstake Net... Daily 9 PM on 3940
Slow Speed CW Net Daily 7:30 PM on 3730
DX Assn Net 7:30 PM on 3895
Alaska Pacific Net Rollcall 8:30 AM 14.292 Mon-Fri

Call the Club Phone 344-2835 for coming events. If you want something put on the announcements of the phone call Lucy 349-4891 or leave a message on the tape/.

3950 M - Th 8:00 pm

Due to one thing and another Lucy, KL7LH is typing the newsletter and it will be observed that Lucy cannot type worth a hoot. Dee who did such a fine job of typing the others finds herself loaded with a new job and new college courses as part of training for that job. She has run out of Newsletter time. Mary and I are putting this one out and again it is not terribly organized. We are of course willing to let others take over. This may not be our best effort but it is the best we have the time and inclination for. Most of the blame for this one goes to Lucy.

You will notice some commercial ads in this newsletter. We decided to sell a few to help defray the cost of putting this thing out. Dave, KL7HAR did a beautiful job selling the ads at one dollar a quarter page a month. Take a look at our advertisers and if you can, do some business with them mentioning the newsletter ad. Dave knows most of them personally and says they are all fine people. We also decided that each club member gets a free ad a month.

Cathi Moody, WL7ABO our very able membership chairman says call her with any changes in callsign, address, name or like that Please call after 5 PM and call 278-9116

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S
HAM SHACK

With the arrival of termination dust, we all start working frantically on those antenna projects, and I am no exception. So, I've climbed down from my tower to say a few thousand words.

I am very happy with the cooperation that you all have given to the 1978 Club Officers, and the success of recent activities is an excellent indicator. Meg Girard, KL7FHF, and his hard-working convention committee rang up a wonderful success. And as with all events of that magnitude, we are entitled to one mistake, and we learned a hard lesson. Suffice it to say that more discretion and judgement will be used in future drawings.

The University Arts Fair was enthusiastically received by the public and Amateur Radio was well represented by diligent members under the direction of Lucy, KL7LH, and KL7JKG.

The Anchorage Amateur Radio community is saddened by the loss of Dave Watson, KL7BVY, who has passed on to the Land of Rare DX. Hope we may all have an eyeball QSO with him on the other side of those Pearly Gates.

I want all of the club members to search their memory for a few short moments and try to help locate those items of club property which have been mislaid or dislocated. There have been dozens of items down through the years, and where are they now? Frank Drake, KL7IPV, our dedicated Veep has volunteered to set up a system of accountability for club property. He will appreciate your input.

Al Bianco, KL7FKO is starting CW on the air practice sessions which will be transmitted on 75 meters. His computer has a good fist. Contact Al for times and frequencies. He is usually found on the 34/10-4 machine.

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For Sale 1977 Datsun F-10 Station Wagon w/roof rack, 2 mounted studded snow tires, and trip meter. 20-25 MPG city 35-40 MPG highway. Bluebook is \$3760 KL7JCE Jim 278-9116 after 5 PM or WL7ABO Cathi 265-4695 7:30-4:00 week days

For sale Lafayette HA-460 6 meter AM transceiver near mint cond vfo TX and RX Xtal control 3 xtals included plus Squalo antenna 75 dollars

Hammerlund speaker 10 dollars

25 inch Heathkit color TV unassembled 1972-73 vintage still in boxes tube checks excellent(8/78) Model GR 295 225 dollars

call Jim Larsen WAOLPK 349-2488

SB 620 Spectrum analyzer 100 dollars call Meg 694-9602

Wanted transceiver for general novice use under 400 dollars call 243-4082 KL7IPV

Dentron Super Tuner 100 dollars call Don 376-5854

BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 21

Treasurer reported 5592.95 on hand also repeater donations total 1462.00

Frank Drake KL7IPV was appointed to locate and keep track of club equipment and property.

Club has been given Thermal Electric Generators by RCA thanks to efforts of KL7WE WA6AXO and AL7AE and KL7IPM

Dave Olsen KL7DC has waded through most of the paperwork involving a CD repeater. He has done much negotiating with various officials to find mutual areas for ARES and other agencies. Dave also has new net directorys and new repeater directories which he will bring to club meeting.

For a full reading of the minutes of the board meeting be at the general meeting Oct. 6

AMSAT "OSCAR" is in a major fund raising effort for the new Phase III (Oscar 9) Purchases can be from ten dollars for a solar cell, one hundred dollars for batteries and major parts of the system for 1000 dollars and upward. Consider contributing to insure ham satelites in your future Your support is needed now To hear more about it talk to Bill KL7BB Lets keep the satelites flying!!!!

Someone suggested an activity that sounds like a winner. A hamshack visit. The idea being visits to some interesting hamshacks in the area If you would be willing to be visited please let me know and if you would like to visit one let me know who and maybe we can persuade them. This thing will not fly without some doing on your part. Me is Lucy 349-4891 Any newsletter ideas and comments call same number, any other ideas for activities. Be thinking of activities you would like to see get going.

If Al, KL7FKO is not too bogged down with homework he will have made the address labels for the newsletter on his computer and also will have written a computer page for the newsletter. If it isn't here you will know he is cracking the books!!!! Next issues of the newsletter I hope will have something from the President, and maybe short biography of various members.

I wonder if anyone is working on this months contest....the most YL contacts. Mary KL7JHI has disqualified herself cause me the dum dum picked the month that has a YLRL contest in it to choose most YL's I haven't been too plagued myself with calls so it will be interesting to me to see if there was any interest. I will be looking for ideas for these monthly contests. Prize is three dollars in door prize tickets....For those not at the last meeting the contests go from meeting to meeting and will change each month. This month was the most YL contacts, a YL counts only once....any band any mode. Come to the meeting to see what next months contest will be. Honor system no QSLs necessary and ties will split the prize.

Jim Wiley's education committee is starting its novice classes October 5 in the tourism room of the career center at 7 o'clock and Tuesday's and Thursdays thereafter. Fifteen dollars is the cost of the basic materials and course.

Our upcoming activity will be a Christmas demonstration and message center at the Sears Mall. Date is the 9th and 10th of DEC keep those dates open and be thinking of what should and could be done to help. Wilse Morgan KL7CQ will be in charge of this very worthy activity and will need a bunch of help!!!!

Bob our very capable Arts Fair Chairman (KL7JKG) has the following report

The AARC participated in the Anchorage Community College/University of Alaska Arts and Crafts Fair on September 9. Several activities were conducted and many members participated.

In the morning, slow scan TV pictures were sent to the lower 48 and back on 20 meters. A working home computer system was demonstrated. About 125 messages were sent out by 2 meter teletype. Literature and class information were distributed to fair goers. These activities were conducted in the new student center building on the ACC/UAA campus.

In addition to the club booth, the AARC and the Anchorage ARES provided a 2 meter network through out the campus. The net linked the fair information centers with each other and with the university security office. Three base stations and three walkie talkie stations were maintained.

The AARC activities were organized by KL7JKG with many members participating. KL7EKB provided a tower for the tri-band beam of KL7IBZ. The slow scan demonstration was conducted by KL7HAB, KL7TPN, and KL7HOT. The teletype stations were provided by KL7FHF and WB6FZN with considerable help from KL7ITI. KL7BJ and KL7AP ran the RTTY while KL7JDH and KL7JDI organized the traffic routing.

The 2 meter net was directed by net control KL7FSE with help from WB2MQA, KL7IYS, KL7LH, KL7JKE, WB5DRI, KL7IWY, KL7IBZ, and KL7JIG. KL7HDS, KL7IVP, WB6FZN provided equipment.

At the booth KL7CC attracted attention with his spark machine KEX. KL7FKO demonstrated his computer system and WA6AXO brought his video recorder. KL7CQ distributed intormation and sold "ham radio". KL7BB brought the tower down and everybody had a busy day.

A letter of appreciation was received from the University and all those who helped out front and those behind the lines should be thanked for a job well done.

A last bit on the ARRL convention.....Most comments heard were that it was a sucessful convention. The committee wound up the affair with a final meeting and "bit of celebration". Financially the Club will have returned 1248 dollars, not a bad return on a 1000 dollar investment of 8 months.

GREETINGS AMATEURS, FROM ALLEN BIANCO KL7FKO

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THIS IS THE FIRST COMPUTERIZED LETTER I HAVE WRITTEN IN OUR AMATEUR NEWSLETTER. AS MOST OF YOU KNOW I STARTED PLAYING WITH COMPUTERS IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR AND I NOW HAVE A VERY POWERFUL ONE AT MY FINGERTIPS. WRITTING LETTERS IS THE LEAST THING THE COMPUTER CAN DO. HOWEVER PLEASE REMEMBER THAT A COMPUTER NEVER GETS TIRED, FOR INSTANCE THERE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 200 PLUS COPIES MADE OF THIS SHEET, I COULD HAVE COMMANDED THE COMPUTER TO KEEP ON TYPING UNTIL IT RAN OUT OF PAPER AND I WOULD NEVER HEAR IT COMPLAIN ABOUT THE REPETITIOUS TASK/S I DEMAND OF IT. HAVE YOU NOTICED HOW I SAID COMMANDED, DEMAND, WELL THESE ARE TERMS USED IN COMPUTERS TO ENPHASIZE THE FACT THAT THAT MOST OF THE TIME WE ARE IN CHARGE OF COMPUTERS AND A COMPUTER CANNOT TAKE OVER OUR LIVES. BUT IT MUST OBVIOUS TO ALL OF US THAT COMPUTERS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR LIVES, AND I AM SURE THAT YOU WILL AGREE THAT MOST OF US USE COMPUTERS WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT, OUR BILLS ARE COMPUTERIZED SOMETIMES WE RECEIVE A CARD SAYING (DO NOT MUTILATE, FOLD OR SPINDLE) OR WHATEVER, SOME OF OUR RIGS CONTAIN AND USE LITTLE IC'S WHICH ARE MICROCOMPUTERS WE REALLY USE COMPUTERS IN OUR DAILY LIVES, I KNOW THAT MY PAYCHECK IS COMPUTERIZED, I KNOW IT HAS MISTAKES BUT MY POINT IS THAT THE COMPUTER DOES NOT MAKE MISTAKES IT DOES NOT EVEN BREAK DOWN ONLY THE MECCANICAL PARTS DO AND THE ONLY MISTAKE IS MADE BY THE PROGRAMMER, NO ONE ELSE.

ANYWAY ENOUGH OF THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO REPORT THAT THE COMPUTER GROUP IS GROWING VERY FAST IT NOW HAS 76 MEMBERS, 6 OF THESE MEMBERS ARE FROM OUTSIDE ANCHORAGE, 27 ARE HAM RADIO OPERATORS, DINO WB6FZN IS THE PRESIDENT AND I AM THE STUCKEE AS FAR AS THE TREASURY, NEWSLETTER, LICKING STAMPS (I WISH THESE STAMPS WERE DIPPED IN SCOTCH OR AT LEAST CHIANTI WINE)

THE LABELS WHICH ARE ON THIS NEWSLETTER ARE MADE BY MY COMPUTER AND I AM GOING TO MAKE THE CLUB ROSTER. PLEASE CALL ME ON 2 METERS OR 75 AND CONFIRM YOUR ADDRESS PHONE # ETC. . . . THANK YOU.

I NEVER WROTE A LETTER TO SO MANY PEOPLE I HOPE YOU WILL FORGIVE THE THE MISTAKES. I HAVE BEEN SENDING MORSE CODE PRACTICE EVERY NIGHT AT 3930 I WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS, YOUR CRITISM AND PLEASE GIVE ME SUGGESTIONS. SOON I WILL BE TRANSMITTING ON A MORE SUITABLE FREQUENCY SUCH AS 3700 MC WE ALL NEED TO BRUSH UP ON THE CODE, WE NEED TO PROMPT NEWCOMERS TO BECOME HAMS I AM SURE WE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP OUR PRIVILEGES, AND BRINGING IN NEW HAMS DOES NOT MEAN MORE QRM, IT MEANS A BETTER AND LARGER FRATERNITY, THAT IS RIGHT WE ARE A FRATERNITY WITH COMMON INTERESTS AND ALTHOUGH SOME PEOPLE DISLIKE EACH OTHER WE STILL MANAGE TO STAY TOGETHER IN SPITE OF ALL THIS. I LIKE CODE AND I DO NOT GET PAID FOR DOING IT, I JUST HOPE THAT MAYBE SOMEONE WILL BENEFIT FROM THE CODE PRACTICE. THE CODE KEYBOARD IS THE APOGEE OF 2 YEARS OF HARD WORK FROM HERB AL7G (EX KL7AE), I THANK YOU VERY MUCH HERB FOR LOANING ME THIS MACHINE. I WILL MAKE SOME OUTSIDE MODIFICATIONS SO I COULD ALSO TRANSMIT ON 2 METERS MCW VERY SOON.

THANK YOU FOR READING THIS, I WILL KEEP YOU POSTED ABOUT THE COMPUTER ACTIVITIES FROM TIME TO TIME, THAT IS AS SOON AS MY TELETYPE ROLL PAPER ARRIVES HERE FROM OUTSIDE.

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ALLEN BIANCO KL7FKO

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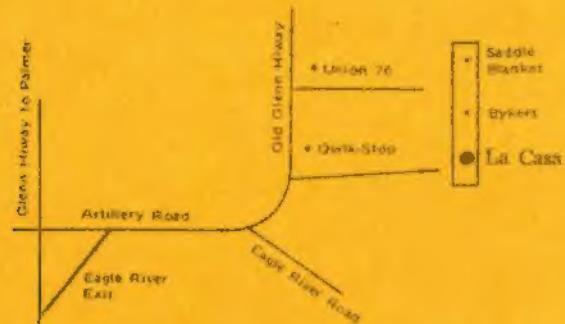
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